

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/752,402	NELSON ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to The RCE filed 07/18/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-44.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
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Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicant's representative Reginald Ratliff (Reg. No. 48,098) on 07/27/06.

3. Please amend claims as follows:

Claim 1: lines 7-8, replace "said content said indication" with "said content, said indication"

Claim 12: lines 13-14, replace "said content said indication" with "said content, said indication"

Claim 23: line 4, delete "said"
lines 9-10, replace "said content said indication" with "said content, said indication"

Claim 34: line 8, replace "said content said indication" with "said content, said indication"

Claim 35: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Claim 36: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Claim 37: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Claim 38: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Claim 39: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

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Claim 40: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Claim 41: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Claim 42: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Claim 43: replace "Claim 12" with "Claim 34"

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1-44 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Examiner has carefully considered the independent claims 1, 12, 23, and 44.

Each of independent claims recites "assessing an indication of a state of a user's validation of said content from a set of indications that includes content not reviewed by user, use with cautions; content reviewed by user with a positive validation; and content reviewed by user with a negative validation; and displaying an said indication of a state of a user's validation of said content, said indication taken from said set". The set of indication is specifically claimed to include exactly three items "content not reviewed by use, use with cautions; content reviewed by user with a positive validation; and content reviewed by user with a negative validation". The closet prior art Net Nanny Software teaches providing information regarding rating of reviewed content, but Net Nanny Software is silent about the content that has not been reviewed and therefore, does not teach that such content should be used with caution. In other words, Net Nanny Software does not teach providing information of "content not reviewed by user, use with caution". This limitation, in specific combination as recited in the independent claims 1, 12, 23, and 44, defines patentability of the independent claims.

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5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kieu D. Vu. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Thu from 7:00AM to 3:00PM at 571-272-4057.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Cabeca, can be reached at 571-272-4048.

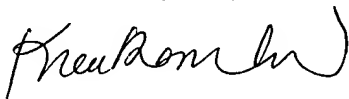
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